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Fidel Castro, hailed as the "George Washington of Cuba," made of that unfortunate country the first Communist satellite in the Western Hemisphere. It became popular to criticize and undermine Batista while eulogizing Castro. As anti-Communists knew in advance, and all the world now knows, no country has had a more brutal dictator than Castro.

The pattern is being repeated in the Dominican Republic. Rafael Trujillo, publicized in the U. S. as a brutal tyrant, hated by Castro and Belancourt, was murdered May 30, 1961, with guns supplied from the U. S. by CIA, which was then worse even than our State Department. Juan Bosch became President in December, 1962. His friendliness toward Communism led to his ouster in 1963. He is again seeking control.

The election June 1 of Joaquin Balaguer, a dedicated anti-communist under Trujillo, will halt communism. U.S. citizens should write friends in Latin America to use their influence for Balaguer.

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